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- 1 – species of figures 1-9;
- 2 – species of figure 10;
- 3 – species of figure 11;
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- 5 – species of figures 24-27;

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